Mangalore Power Project Under a New Company

3472. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether congentrix has been pulled out and the New China and Light Power Company has decided to Undertake development of the Project on the counter guarantee terms offered by the Centre;

(b) whether Tatas are willing to replace U.S. based multi-national Cogentrix Corporation in the 1000 MW Mangalore Power Project;

(c) if so, which Company has so far been given licence by the State Government;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) how power problem in Karnataka is going to be solved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) and (b) Earlier, in Mangalore Power Company (MPC) (a company formed to implement the 1013.2 MW Mangalore Power Project) M/s Cogentrix USA and M/s CLP Power International were partners. M/s Cogentrix have recently withdrawn from MPC and the Mangalore Power Project and have transferred all their rights in MPC and the power project to M/s CLP Power International. Now M/s CLP Power International have approached Government of Karnataka to implement the project with M/s Tata Power Companies as their Indian Partners with 30% share holding. M/s CLP Power International have confirmed to the Government of Karnataka (GoK) that the MPC will be writing to the Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Ltd. (KPTCL) to confirm their acceptance of the conditions laid down by the Government of India (GoI) for isuance of the GoI counter-guarantee. GoK is yet to approve the proposal of M/s CLP Power International

(c) to (e) As stated above, the State Government is yet to take a decision on the proposal submitted by M/s CLP Power International.

Hydel and Thermal Power Projects in Assam

3473. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the number and details of hydel and thermal power projects in the State of Assam which are yet to be completed; and

(b) the target date for their completion and reasons for the delay in their starting?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) and (b) The details of hydro power projects under execution in the State of Assam are given as under:—

Sl. No.	Name of Project I.C. (MW)	Commissioning Schedule	Reason for delay
Hydro			
CENTRAL SECTOR			
1.	Kopili St. II (1x25 MW) (NEEPCO)		2003-04 Progressing according to schedule.
STATE SECTOR			
1.	Karbi Langpi (2x50 MW)	10th Plan	Main reasons for delay are funds constraints, frequent change of contractors for dam works, delay in completion of dam, frequent change of executing agencies.
2.	Dhansiri (5x3x1.33 MW)	10th Plan	Law and order problem and funds constraints.

The following thermal power projects are proposed to be taken up in the near future in Assam:—

STATE SECTOR			
1.	Amguri CCGT (8x30+4x30 MW) 8 GTs4STs	——	The project was originally sanctioned in August, 1991. The project was not taken up due to non-availability of gas and non finalisation of executing agency. ASEB has now proposed this project to be taken up in private sector comprising 2x30 MW GT and 1x30 MW ST units. The critical area is availability of gas linkage from Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas.
2.	Lakhwa Waste Heat Unit(38 MW)	——	ASEB has approached the State Govt. for financial tie up under non lapsable central pool of resources for North-Eastern Region. The project could be completed within 30 months from the date of financial tie up.

Sl. No.	Name of Project I.C. (MW)	Commissioning Schedule	Reason for delay
3.	Borgolai TPP (2x60 MW)	——	ASEB has proposed to take up this coal based thermal power project in private sector under Build, Own, Operate (BOO) concept. The site has been selected in Udaipur village near Margherita and the process of acquisition of land for the project has been taken up with the concerned civil authority. Request for Proposal (RFP) bid document has been prepared by the consultant and is under scrutiny.

The State of Assam will also be entitled to share power generation in the following ongoing projects in North-Eastern Region:—

S.No.	Name of Project	State	Installed Capacity (MW)	Remarks
NEEPCO				
1.	Doyang	Nagaland	3x25	To be commissioned in 2000-2001
2.	Ranganadi	Arunachal Pradesh	3x135	To be commissioned in 2001-2002
3.	Tuirial	Mizoram	2x30	To be commissioned in 2005—2007
N.H.P.C.				
4.	Loktak Downstream	Manipur	3x30	To be commissioned in 2006-2007

Electricity to all Habitations

3474. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of habitats without power in the country today;

(b) the break-up of such habitations State-wise;

(c) how many new habitations will be electrified in 2000-2001;

(d) by when all habitations in the country be electrified; and

(e) the details of plans to electrify all habitation in the country?